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**RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this communication in response to the Final Office Action that the Patent Office mailed on May 9, 2011 (the Office Action) in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the Office Action is set to expire on August 9, 2011. Therefore, this amendment is timely filed. Applicants also concurrently file a Request for a Continued Examination (RCE) and provide the requisite fee.